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11. (SBU) Poloff delivered demarche (Ref A) and diplomatic note (Ref B) stating officially the intent of the United States to seek a seat on the UN Human Rights Council, as well as a copy of the "Human Rights Commitments and Pledges of the United States," to Erkin Atabekov of the Department of International Relations at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. Atabekov thanked Poloff and agreed to deliver the information to his superiors. He also reconfirmed the Kyrgyz Republic's intention to seek a seat on the same Human Rights Council (Ref C). Atabekov agreed to inform us of any substantive response from the Foreign Ministry.